

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED WITHOUT REFERENCE TO A COMMITTEE

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1353 (XIV). Question of Tibet

The General Assembly,

Recalling the principles regarding fundamental human rights and freedoms set out in the Charter of the United Nations and in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights adopted by the General Assembly on 10 December 1948,

Considering that the fundamental human rights and freedoms to which the Tibetan people, like all others, are entitled include the right to civil and religious liberty for all without distinction,

Mindful also of the distinctive cultural and religious heritage of the people of Tibet and of the autonomy which they have traditionally enjoyed,

Gravely concerned at reports, including the official statements of His Holiness the Dalai Lama, to the effect that the fundamental human rights and freedoms of the people of Tibet have been forcibly denied them,

Deploring the effect of these events in increasing international tension and in embittering the relations between peoples at a time when earnest and positive efforts are being made by responsible leaders to reduce tension and improve international relations,

1. *Affirms its belief* that respect for the principles of the Charter of the United Nations and of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights is essential for the evolution of a peaceful world order based on the rule of law;

2. *Calls* for respect for the fundamental human rights of the Tibetan people and for their distinctive cultural and religious life.

*834th plenary meeting,
21 October 1959.*

1355 (XIV). Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency

The General Assembly

Takes note of the report of the International Atomic

Energy Agency to the General Assembly covering the period from 1 July 1958 to 30 June 1959.¹

*836th plenary meeting,
3 November 1959.*

1376 (XIV). Progress report of the United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation

The General Assembly,

Recalling the conclusions of the report of the United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation² and General Assembly resolution 1347 (XIII) of 13 December 1958,

Reaffirming the great importance of studies relating to the effects of ionizing radiation upon man and his environment,

Recognizing the universal desire that urgent steps be taken to enlarge knowledge of the biological effects of radiation and of the extent of the hazard from man-made radiation,

Noting with appreciation that numerous reports and substantial data have been provided to the Committee by Governments and specialized agencies, and that assistance is being rendered to the Committee by them, by the International Atomic Energy Agency, by international non-governmental and national scientific organizations, and by individual scientists,

Noting with satisfaction the increasingly close co-operation between the Committee and the International Atomic Energy Agency,

Bearing in mind the views of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination concerning co-operation among the organizations concerned in the field of atomic radiation, as endorsed in Economic and Social Council resolution 743 B (XXVIII) of 31 July 1959,

¹ *Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency to the General Assembly of the United Nations, Vienna, October 1959 (A/4244).*

² *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fourteenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 24, documents A/4119 and Add.1.*

Convinced that for the purpose of the Scientific Committee's immediate programme of work it is desirable to provide the Committee with further information on fall-out, radiation levels and radio-biological questions, and to supplement this information by a variety of activities and discussions undertaken by the United Nations, the specialized agencies, the International Atomic Energy Agency and certain non-governmental organizations,

I

Approves the recommendations of the United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation in connexion with the plans and suggested activities contained in its annual progress report for 1959 and in annex I thereto;

II

1. *Notes* the request of the Committee for further information and data of the type already contained in its comprehensive report;³

2. *Requests* the Committee, in consultation with the International Atomic Energy Agency, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the World Health Organization and the World Meteorological Organization, to consider and study appropriate arrangements for the purpose of stimulating the flow of such information and data;

III

Requests the Committee also, in consultation with the World Health Organization, the International Atomic Energy Agency, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, to the extent relevant, and other interested organizations, to consider and study appropriate arrangements for encouraging genetic, biological and other studies, including those concerned with C¹⁴, that will elucidate the effects of radiation exposure on the health of human populations;

IV

1. *Invites* Governments of Member States having facilities for laboratory analysis to make known to other Governments the extent to which they are prepared, at the request of other Governments, to receive and analyse samples in accordance with the programme of work of the Committee, and to keep the Committee currently informed;

2. *Invites* the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the International Atomic Energy Agency and the World Health Organization to consider and inform the Committee what assistance they might give in this connexion, making full use of their work in the field of metrology of radio-nuclides;

V

1. *Expresses the hope* that all concerned will continue to assist the Committee, co-operate in the consideration of the arrangements contemplated above and furnish the Committee with all relevant scientific information for collation, study and dissemination;

2. *Requests* the Committee to submit as soon as practicable a report on its study of such questions to the

³ *Ibid.*, Thirteenth Session, Supplement No. 17 (A/3838).

Secretary-General for publication and dissemination to all States Members of the United Nations or members of the specialized agencies or of the International Atomic Energy Agency, and for consideration by the General Assembly at its fifteenth session.

839th plenary meeting,
17 November 1959.

1377 (XIV). Report of the Security Council

The General Assembly

Takes note of the report of the Security Council to the General Assembly covering the period from 16 July 1958 to 15 July 1959.⁴

839th plenary meeting,
17 November 1959.

1381 (XIV). Report of the Committee on arrangements for a conference for the purpose of reviewing the Charter

The General Assembly,

Recalling the provisions of its resolutions 992 (X) of 21 November 1955 and 1136 (XII) of 14 October 1957,

1. *Decides* to keep in being the Committee on arrangements for a conference for the purpose of reviewing the Charter and to request the Committee to report, with recommendations, to the General Assembly not later than at its sixteenth session;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue the work envisaged in paragraph 4 of General Assembly resolution 992 (X).

841st plenary meeting,
20 November 1959.

1442 (XIV). United Nations Emergency Force⁵

The General Assembly,

Noting from the report of the Secretary-General⁶ the intention of Lieutenant-General E. L. M. Burns to relinquish his post as Commander of the United Nations Emergency Force,

1. *Expresses its appreciation* of the excellent leadership which General Burns has given to the United Nations Emergency Force;

2. *Approves* the appointment, on the existing terms, of Major-General P. S. Gyani as Commander of the Force, effective on the date when General Burns relinquishes command.

846th plenary meeting,
5 December 1959.

1454 (XIV). Question of Hungary

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the United Nations Representative on Hungary,⁷ Sir Leslie Munro, who was appointed by General Assembly resolution 1312

⁴ *Ibid.*, Fourteenth Session, Supplement No. 2 (A/4190).

⁵ See also resolution 1441 (XIV) and "Allocation of agenda items", footnote 6.

⁶ *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fourteenth Session, Annexes*, agenda item 28, document A/4210/Add.1.

⁷ *Ibid.*, agenda item 74, document A/4304.